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REPORT

OF THE

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

Town of Newbury,

INCLUDING A REPORT FROM THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

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FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1883.

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
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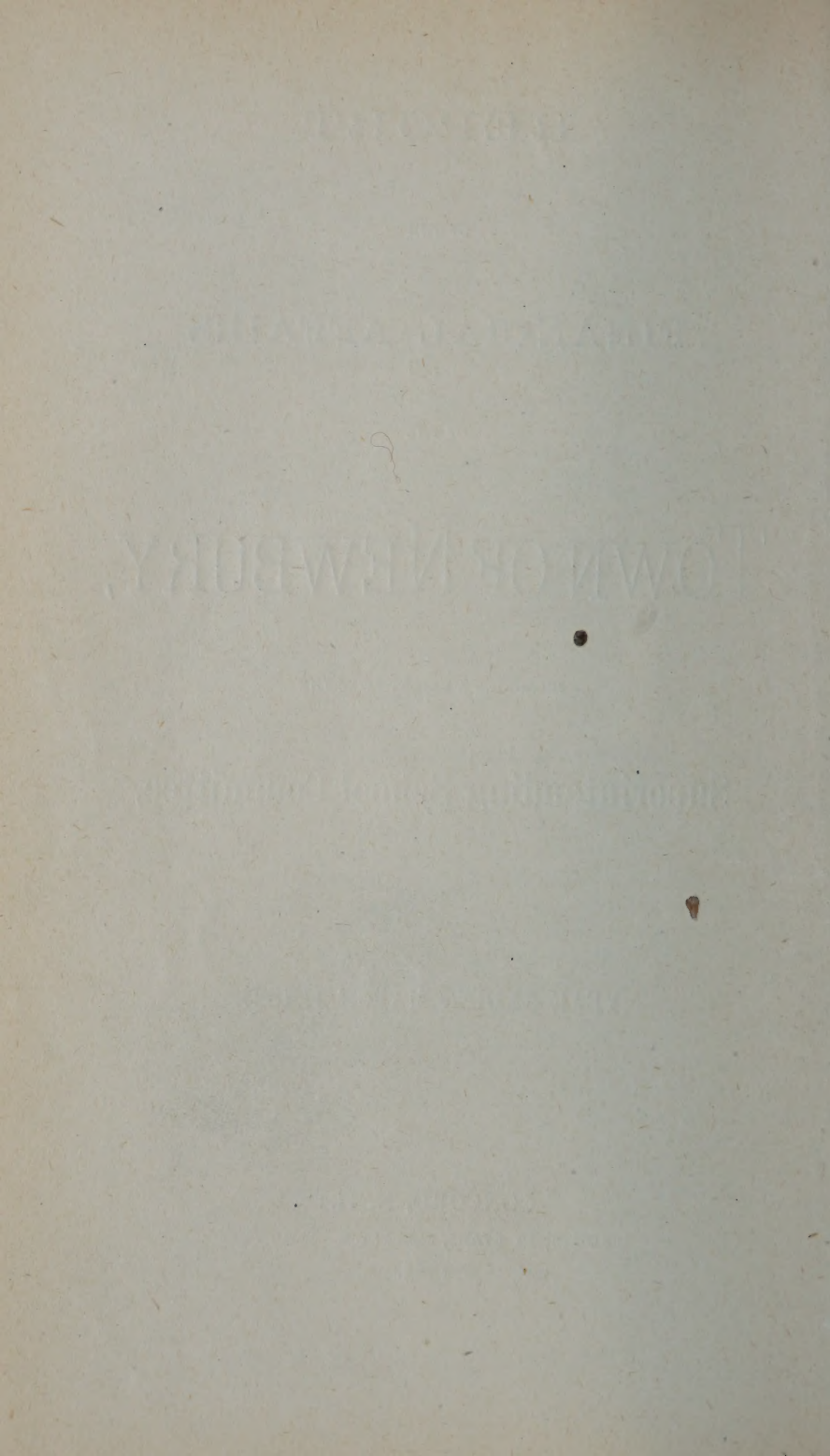
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

The treasurer of the town of Newbury charges himself as follows :

| 1882. | | RECEIPTS. | |
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| Mar. 18. | Received of Sprague A. Morse, late town treasurer, | | \$803.27 |
| May 30. | Selectmen, for rent of town hall, | | 2.00 |
| June. | George W. Blodgett, for license for bowling alley, | | 5.00 |
| July 7. | Selectmen, cash received of Dan Ducello, | | 2.50 |
| Sept. 4. | Interest from Loan and Trust bank, | | 8.36 |
| Dec. 6. | State treasurer, savings bank tax for 1882, | | 918.23 |
| | State treasurer, bounty on crows, | | 23.00 |
| | “ “ railroad tax for 1882, | | 72.87 |
| | State treasurer, literary fund for 1882, | | 63.02 |
| 1883. | | | |
| Feb. 16. | County of Merrimack, for support of paupers, | | 159.09 |
| 24. | Joel Gillingham, on tax list of 1880, | | 20.87 |
| 26. | Jesse W. F. Eaton, collector, on tax list of 1882, | | 1,366.04 |
| | Selectmen, for rent of town hall, | | 6.50 |
| 27. | County of Sullivan, for support of Ann Collins, | | 10.50 |
| | | | \$3,461.25 |

The treasurer of the town of Newbury credits himself as follows :

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES FOR 1882.

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| 1882. | | |
| Sept. 5. | Paid John F. Jones, county treasurer, | \$684.75 |
| Dec. 6. | Solon A. Carter, state treasurer, | 600.00 |
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| | | \$1,284.75 |

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

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| 1882. | | |
| Mar. 28. | Paid J. B. Sanborn, for books and stationery, | \$9.02 |
| | Evans & Sleeper, for printing reports, | 22.00 |
| April 10. | D. M. Currier, for certificate of births, | .25 |
| 14. | J. H. Martin, for certificates of births and deaths, | 2.25 |
| 17. | James M. Blodgett, for fitting hall for election, | .60 |
| May 2. | Jonathan Rowe, for cash paid for oil, | .36 |
| 6. | “ “ for cash paid for 400 tax bills, | 1.00 |
| 30. | William S. Hart, for board and care of Martha A. Marshall, and her three children, | 10.50 |
| Aug. 5. | William S. Hart, for board and care of Martha A. Marshall and her three children, | 52.50 |
| 7. | Frank M. Tappan, serving notice in pauper case, on Sutton and Bradford, | 8.04 |
| Oct. 7. | George E. Halliday, damage received on culvert, | 65.00 |
| Nov. 28. | Selectmen, bounty paid on crows, | 23.00 |
| Dec. 6. | Arthur W. Silsby, preparing notice and making writ in pauper case, | 9.00 |
| | John Y. Mugridge, counsel and term fee, | 12.80 |
| 23. | William S. Hart, for board and care of Martha A. Marshall, and her three children, | 55.00 |

1883.

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| Jan. 27. | Paid Benjamin R. Morse, fitting hall, stove, etc., | \$.84 |
| | Moses Hazen, insurance policy on town house, | 16.47 |
| Feb. 24. | J. B. Sanborn, for check list and warrants, Nathan P. Blodgett, for use of watering trough, | 1.75 1.50 |
| | Vinal Stevens, for use of watering trough, | 1.50 |
| 26. | Jonathan Rowe, for car fare, postage, express, etc., | 8.18 |
| | Virgil C. Brockway, for use of watering trough, | 3.00 |
| | Jonathan Rowe, for service, car fare, and expense in the Mansel B. Mar- shall pauper case, | 17.45 |
| | John H. Farmer, "fish warden", | 2.00 |
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| | | \$324.01 |

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

1882.

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| Mar. 25. | Paid George G. Farmer, for breaking road, | \$5.76 |
| June 19. | Orrin J. Blodgett, for work on highway, | 7.00 |
| | Orrin J. Blodgett, for cash paid for work on highway, | 9.79 |
| | Thomas J. Leach, for work on highways, | 4.50 |
| Aug. 5. | Fowler Brothers, for bridge plank, | 29.00 |
| Sept. 16. | W. E. Cilley, for moving bridge plank, | 1.50 |
| | George P. Bailey, for bridge stringers, | 2.25 |
| | Curtis Messer, for repairing bridge and culvert, | 7.56 |
| 23. | Laurel G. Peaslee, for work on highways, | 7.00 |
| Nov. 7. | John F. Jones, " " " " | 4.50 |
| | Walter F. Colburn, for work on highways and railings, | 1.90 |
| | Frank P. Kidder, for work on highways, | 1.50 |
| | James M. Blodgett, for work on highways, | 1.50 |
| | Winthrop C. Dudley, for bridge plank, | 4.05 |

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| Nov. 27. | Paid Moses K. Felch, for poles for railing, | \$2.20 |
| Dec. 23. | Laurel G. Peaslee, for work on highways, | 7.00 |
| 1883. | | |
| Jan. 27. | Benjamin R. Morse, for work on highways, | 9.10 |
| | Nathan S. Johnson, " " " " | 13.08 |
| | Orrin J. Blodgett, " " " " | 10.36 |
| Feb. 24. | Jonathan Rowe, " " " " | 10.75 |
| | Silas W. Dana, for cutting bushes on high- ways, | 2.28 |
| | Lorenzo D. Muzzey, for breaking road, | 2.00 |
| | George L. Nichols, " " " " | 1.50 |
| | R. T. Muzzey, " " " " | .60 |
| | Tharon Gillingham, " " " " | 7.08 |
| | Alfred H. Nichols, for repairing bridge, | .50 |
| 26. | Vinal Stevens, for breaking road, | 2.16 |
| | Moses H. Ring, for breaking road, | 1.20 |
| | Virgil C. Brockway, for breaking road, | 2.35 |
| | Ezra Cilley, 2d, for drawing plank for bridge, | .72 |
| | John H. Farmer, for work on highway, | 2.00 |
| | Virgil C. Brockway, for work on highway, | 1.08 |
| | Hiram B. Cheney, for repairing bridge, | 1.90 |

 \$165.67

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

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| Paid Joshua H. Blodgett, school money for Dist. No. 1, | \$39.63 |
| Obadiah C. Bartlett, " " " " | 2, 63.22 |
| David Shaw, " " " " | 3, 53.42 |
| George J. Messer, " " " " | 4, 45.00 |
| Wesley E. Cilley, " " " " | 5, 194.17 |
| Albert S. Eaton, " " " " | 6, 60.04 |
| Nathaniel C. Lear, " " " " | 7, 51.20 |
| John A. George, " " " " | 8, 58.40 |
| Richard T. Muzzey, " " " " | 9, 50.28 |
| David O. Colburn, " " " " | 10, 35.85 |
| Andrew Fellows, " " " " | 11, 39.28 |
| Frank H. Messer, " " " " | 13, 20.47 |
| Asa B. Jenney, Union District, No. 1, in Bradford, | 15.04 |

 \$726.00

PARSONAGE MONEY.

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| Paid Jeremiah Morse, Freewill Baptist Society money, | \$7.68 |
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COUNTY PAUPER BILLS.

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| Sept. 16. | Paid E. C. Fisher, for medical attendance rendered Clarasa B. Fellows and child, | \$46.25 |
| | E. C. Fisher, for goods furnished C. B. Fellows, | 9.85 |
| 30. | W. E. Cilley, for shoes furnished C. B. Fellows, | 1.50 |
| Oct. 7. | Clara M. Hart, nursing C. B. Fellows, | 28.50 |
| Déc. 23. | Jonathan Merrill, for care of C. B. Fellows, | 7.50 |

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| Jan. 27. | Louisa M. Rowe, for board and care of C. B. Fellows and child, | 21.50 |
| | Jonathan Rowe, for cash paid and assistance rendered C. B. Fellows and child, | 14.06 |
| | Orrin J. Blodgett, for assistance rendered C. B. Fellows, | 5.93 |
| | Nathaniel White, Jr., for the rent of house for Joshua Weeks, | 24.00 |
| Feb. 21. | Jeremiah D. Perkins, for moving Ann Collins, | 2.00 |
| | Charles H. Perkins, for board and care of Ann Collins, | 6.00 |
| | Jonathan Rowe, for cash paid for assistance rendered Ann Collins, | 2.50 |
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| | | \$169.59 |

TOWN PAUPER BILL.

1883.

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| Feb. 24. | Paid Martin & Raynes, for medical attendance rendered James Craig, | \$47.50 |
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TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

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| Paid Albert S. Eaton, supervisor, | \$10.00 |
| Silas W. Dana, “ | 5.00 |
| Edward Stevens, “ | 14.00 |
| Arthur E. French, school committee, | 31.07 |
| Edward Stevens, constable, | 9.00 |
| Jesse W. F. Eaton, collector, | 13.66 |
| Sprague A. Morse, town clerk, | 27.30 |
| Jonathan Rowe, 1st selectman, | 52.25 |
| Benjamin R. Morse, 2d selectman, | 44.30 |
| Orrin J. Blodgett, 3d selectman, | 37.50 |
| Sprague A. Morse, town treasurer, | 19.60 |
| Auditors' bills, | 4.50 |
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| | \$268.18 |

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| Amount received in treasurer's hands, up to March 1, | |
| 1883, | \$3,461.25 |
| Amount paid out by treasurer, up to March 1, 1883, | 2,993.38 |
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| Amount in hands of treasurer, | \$467.87 |

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The selectmen of Newbury charge themselves as follows :—

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| 1882. | | |
| Mar. 14. | To cash in hands of town treasurer, | \$803.27 |
| | Taxes uncollected, in hands of Joel Gillingham, | 20.87 |
| April 29. | Taxes committed to Jesse W. F. Eaton for 1882, | 1,553.86 |
| May 2. | Received of Jonathan Rowe, for rent of town hall, | 2.00 |
| June. | George W. Blodgett, for license for bowling alley, | 5.00 |
| July 7. | Dan Ducello, | 2.50 |
| Sept. 4. | Loan and Trust bank, "interest," | 8.36 |
| Dec. 6. | State treasurer, savings bank tax for 1882, | 918.23 |
| | State treasurer, railroad tax for 1882, | 72.87 |
| | State treasurer, literary fund for 1882, | 63.02 |
| | State treasurer, bounty on crows, | 23.00 |
| 1883. | | |
| Feb. 16. | County of Merrimack, for support of paupers, | 159.09 |
| 26. | Wesley E. Cilley, for rent of town hall, | 2.00 |
| | Walter Kittredge, for rent of town hall, | .50 |
| | Joel Gillingham, for rent of town hall, | 1.00 |

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| Feb. 26. | Received of Benjamin R. Morse, for rent of town hall, | \$3.00 |
| Feb. 27. | County of Sullivan, for support of Ann Collins, | 10.50 |
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| | | \$3,649.07 |

The selectmen of Newbury credit themselves as follows :—

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| To orders given on town treasurer, | \$2,993.38 |
| Non-resident highway taxes paid in labor, | 54.20 |
| Abated taxes on tax list of 1882, | 6.76 |
| Amount of taxes uncollected on tax list of 1882, | 126.86 |
| Amount in treasurer's hands, | 467.87 |
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| | \$3,649.07 |

Amount due the town :—

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| To cash in hands of treasurer, | \$467.87 |
| Amount of taxes uncollected on tax list of 1882, | 126.86 |
| Amount, "for assistance rendered Mansel B. Marshall's family," | 192.79 |
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| | \$787.52 |

Town debts and liabilities, as near as can be calculated, up to
March 1, 1883 :—

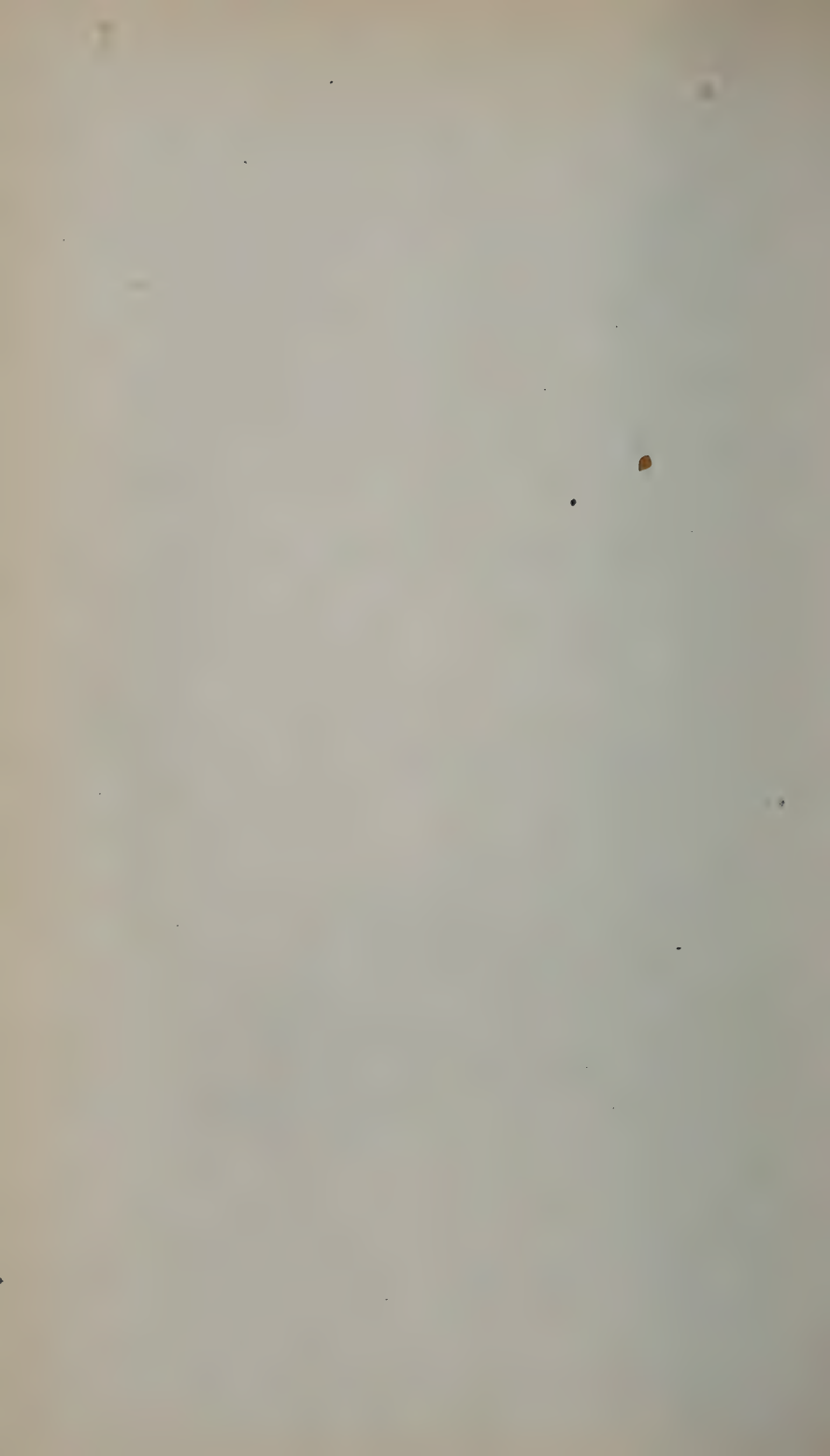
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| Due school districts, literary fund for 1882, | \$63.02 |
| School districts, dog tax for 1882, | 41.00 |
| School district No. 4, school money, | 28.70 |
| “ “ 5, “ | 30.42 |
| “ “ 7, “ | 10.54 |
| Religious societies, | 32.82 |
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| | \$206.50 |
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| Balance in favor of town, | \$581.02 |

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| JONATHAN ROWE, | } <i>Selectmen</i> of <i>Newbury.</i> |
| BENJAMIN R. MORSE, | |
| ORRIN J. BLODGETT, | |

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Newbury, have examined the accounts of the treasurer and the books of the selectmen for the past year, and find them in good order ; have compared their vouchers, cast their figures and find them correct.

EZRA CILLEY, 2d,
HIRAM B. CHENEY, } *Auditors.*
CHARLES C. MESSER, }

Newbury, N. H., Feb. 28, 1883.



SCHOOL REPORT.

The Superintendent of Schools respectfully submits the following report :—

DISTRICT No. 1.

Mr. Joshua H. Blodgett, Prudential Committee.

Summer term of six weeks, taught by Miss Nellie L. Rowe. Miss Rowe is a teacher of average ability, and the scholars under her tuition accomplished a fair term's work.

Winter term of twelve weeks, taught by Miss Cora Manahan. This term was especially a successful one. The improvement in reading was marked, and the advance made in the other branches was thorough. We think Miss Manahan enjoyed the respect and confidence of her pupils in a full sense of the word.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Mr. Obadiah C. Bartlett, Prudential Committee.

Fall term of fifteen weeks was taught by Miss Cora R. Jones. We have no means of knowing what Miss Jones' talent would be in a well-filled school-room, but the one scholar that she had to show on examination day had made great progress. We think Miss Jones labored faithfully, and did good work considering what she had to do with.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Mr. David Shaw, Prudential Committee.

Summer term of four weeks, taught by Miss J. Isabel Spaulding. Circumstances prevented this from being a successful term ; but we could see no reason why the teacher should be held responsible.

She labored hard, but in vain. Parents should always bear in mind that themselves, as well as teachers and pupils, are responsible for the success or non-success of the schools kept in their district.

Winter term of nine weeks, Miss Hattie E. Shaw, teacher. Miss Shaw labored faithfully, and was supported by both pupils and parents. This is as it should be. Results show for themselves.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Mr. George J. Messer, Prudential Committee.

Summer and only term of twelve weeks, taught by Miss Hattie E. Shaw, who labored for the confidence and improvement of her scholars, and succeeded, we think, very well. "Experience is the best teacher," and no doubt Miss Shaw will improve under her instructions.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Mr. Wesley E. Cilley, Prudential Committee.

Spring term of nine weeks, taught by Miss Carrie H. Cooper, a teacher of considerable experience, who labored hard for the advancement of her school, and met with fair success.

Fall term of nine weeks, taught by the same teacher. Miss Cooper did not evince the energy that characterized her labors in the spring, which is, no doubt, attributable to indisposition of health.

Winter term of twelve weeks, taught by Miss Mira W. Morgan, a wide-awake teacher who knows how to gain the good-will of her school and those interested in its success. Her register contains the longest list of visitors of any in town, numbering seventy, forty-seven of whom were parents and citizens. We wish the interest manifested in this district, during the last term, might be contagious, and that other districts in town might catch the disease.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Mr. A. S. Eaton, Prudential Committee.

Spring term of nine weeks, taught by Mrs. E. C. Eaton. Mrs. Eaton's reputation as teacher is too well known to require any comments from your committee. Her success was in full.

Winter term of ten weeks, by same teacher, with the same success.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Mr. Nathaniel C. Lear, Prudential Committee.

Summer term of nine weeks, taught by Miss Annie G. Morse, a young, but energetic teacher, who diligently sought the welfare and advancement of her school, and commanded the respect and confidence of both parents and pupils. Under these circumstances we looked for nothing short of success, and were not disappointed.

Winter term of eleven weeks, taught by the same teacher, with the same good results.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Mr. John A. George, Prudential Committee.

Fall and only term of ten weeks, taught by Miss B. Josie Baker, an old, experienced teacher, who needs not a recommend from any one. It should be sufficient to say that Miss Baker taught the school; therefore, a failure could not be in order.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Mr. Richard T. Muzzey, Prudential Committee.

Spring term of eight weeks, taught by Miss Belle C. Shaw. Miss Shaw has been too long known as a teacher in this vicinity to make it necessary for us to make any comments. As a teacher Miss Shaw is always successful.

Winter term of twelve weeks, taught by your committee. This was his first term, and not having inquired of the parents and citizens individually, perhaps he is not in a position to give an impartial report of this term of school. But if success was not attained, neither the parents nor the scholars were in the fault. The teacher had no cause for complaint, and has heard none from other sources. I presume there was none.

DISTRICT No. 10.

Mr. David O. Colburn, Prudential Committee.

Summer term of ten weeks, Miss Abbie M. Cressey, teacher. Miss Cressey was well liked in the district as a teacher, and had the confidence of her school. She labored faithfully, and did a good term's work.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Mr. Frank H. Messer, Prudential Committee.

Spring term of eight weeks, taught by Miss Hattie E. Shaw. This was Miss Shaw's first term of teaching, but being actuated by a strong desire to interest her school she had no difficulty in accomplishing a good work. Live teachers make live scholars.

Winter term of twelve weeks, Miss Belle C. Shaw, teacher. Miss Shaw's usual degree of success did not fail her here. The examination was an interesting one, and was largely attended by parents and citizens.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars who have not been tardy nor absent during a term.

DISTRICT No. 1.

FIRST TERM.—Nellie J. Blodgett, Adah B. Dana, Emma M. Farmer.

SECOND TERM.—Nellie J. Blodgett, Adah B. Dana.

DISTRICT No. 2.

FIRST TERM.—Frank G. Bartlett.

DISTRICT No. 3.

SECOND TERM.—John W. Shaw, Bertie G. Shaw.

DISTRICT No. 4.

FIRST TERM.—David S. Merrill, Mertie M. Merrill, George O. Perkins, Lillian B. Perkins.

DISTRICT No. 5.

FIRST TERM.—Willie Perkins, Clarence Perkins, Forest Gillingham, Freddie Wright, Loren Spaulding, Myra Jones, Myrtie Jones, Marion Morse, Martha Williamson, Emogene Spaulding.

SECOND TERM.—Myra Jones, Myrtie Jones, Leander Campbell, Loren Spaulding, George Brown, Freddie Wright.

THIRD TERM.—Myra L. Jones, Myrtie A. Jones, Forest L. Gillingham, Marion S. Morse, Mamie A. Spaulding, Loren E. Spaulding, Willie A. Perkins, Almon B. Cilley.

DISTRICT No. 6.

FIRST TERM.—George A. Abbott, Fred A. Eaton, Frank D. Eaton, Mabel N. Bailey, Gertie L. Eaton, Maud B. Eaton.

DISTRICT No. 7.

FIRST TERM.—George E. Brockway, Ernest C. Perkins, Mary L. Brockway, Bertha M. Brockway, Neva Bell Coburn, Inez M. Dodge.

SECOND TERM.—George E. Brockway, Myron F. Fifield, Elwin C. Lear, Ernest C. Perkins, Mary L. Brockway, Bertha M. Brockway, Neva Bell Coburn, Emily J. Woodbury.

DISTRICT No. 8.

FIRST TERM.—Elvie B. Colby, Alice J. Gove, Edith L. Gove, Hattie M. Holt, Agnes H. Johnson, Carrie C. Johnson, Mabel M. Wright, Fannie B. Wright, Gertie A. Wright, Lester E. Gove, Archie O. Gove.

DISTRICT No. 9.

FIRST TERM.—Emma F. Nichols, Ella F. Muzzey, Myra M. Muzzey.

SECOND TERM.—Charles K. Muzzey, Mark W. Muzzey, Norris D. Muzzey, Ella F. Muzzey, Hannah S. Muzzey, Myra M. Muzzey, Emma F. Nichols.

DISTRICT No. 10.

FIRST TERM.—Eva L. Gillingham, Frank P. Craig, Willie E. Colburn.

DISTRICT No 13.

FIRST TERM.—Etta L. Brown, Walter S. Brown, Willie F. Brown, Eugene L. Nelson, Carl H. Nelson, Clara J. Twiss.

SECOND TERM.—Carl H. Nelson, George E. Nelson, Auren W. Messer, Bertie A. Messer, Walter S. Brown, Maud C. Gillingham, Annie E. Gillingham.

GENERAL REMARKS.

There has been, in the aggregate, 186.8 or nearly one hundred and eighty-seven weeks of school, during the past year, at which there has been an average daily attendance of 110.516 scholars, at an expense of \$859.18: making the cost of each scholar's tuition amount to \$7.77. The whole number of scholars enrolled is 121. The whole number of different scholars, or children who should

have been scholars, who did not attend any school during the year, is 5 ; which, had they attended, would have cut the expenses down to \$6.29 per scholar. Hence there has been a loss of about \$22.82 sustained by the people of this town, caused by the non-attendance of children who should have been reaping the advantages of or acquiring an education such as our common school system affords.

Those parents who are racking their brains to devise means for accumulating property to leave to their children, should bear in mind that they can bequeath to them no better legacy than a good, thorough education. It will assist them, in after years, in acquiring that which you are so desirous that they should have. We all have our proportion of the school funds to furnish ; hence it will cost us no more to give our children the common school advantages that others are taking than it will to allow them to grow up in ignorance.

There have been a very few cases, in the past year, where jealousy has come in between individuals and their own and their children's interests. I sincerely wish such a thing could not be conceived. Parents cannot afford to let this kind of disposition spoil the lives of their children, and have its influences take the place of those which even an average teacher would exercise over the educational interests of the scholars, if she were encouraged and supported by the parents at home.

Before concluding this report, I desire to extend my sincere thanks to all who have been connected with the educational interests of the town, for the hearty support they have given me in the discharging of my duties, especially to the parents, who have materially lightened my labors by so readily accepting the changes made in text-books. The changes were not made so much on account of the superiority of the works adopted, as they were to produce a uniformity, and to avoid a multiplicity of classes. And it is earnestly recommended that there be no other books, treating of the same subject, allowed in use, as long as these are kept in the schools, which, according to existing law, must be five years.

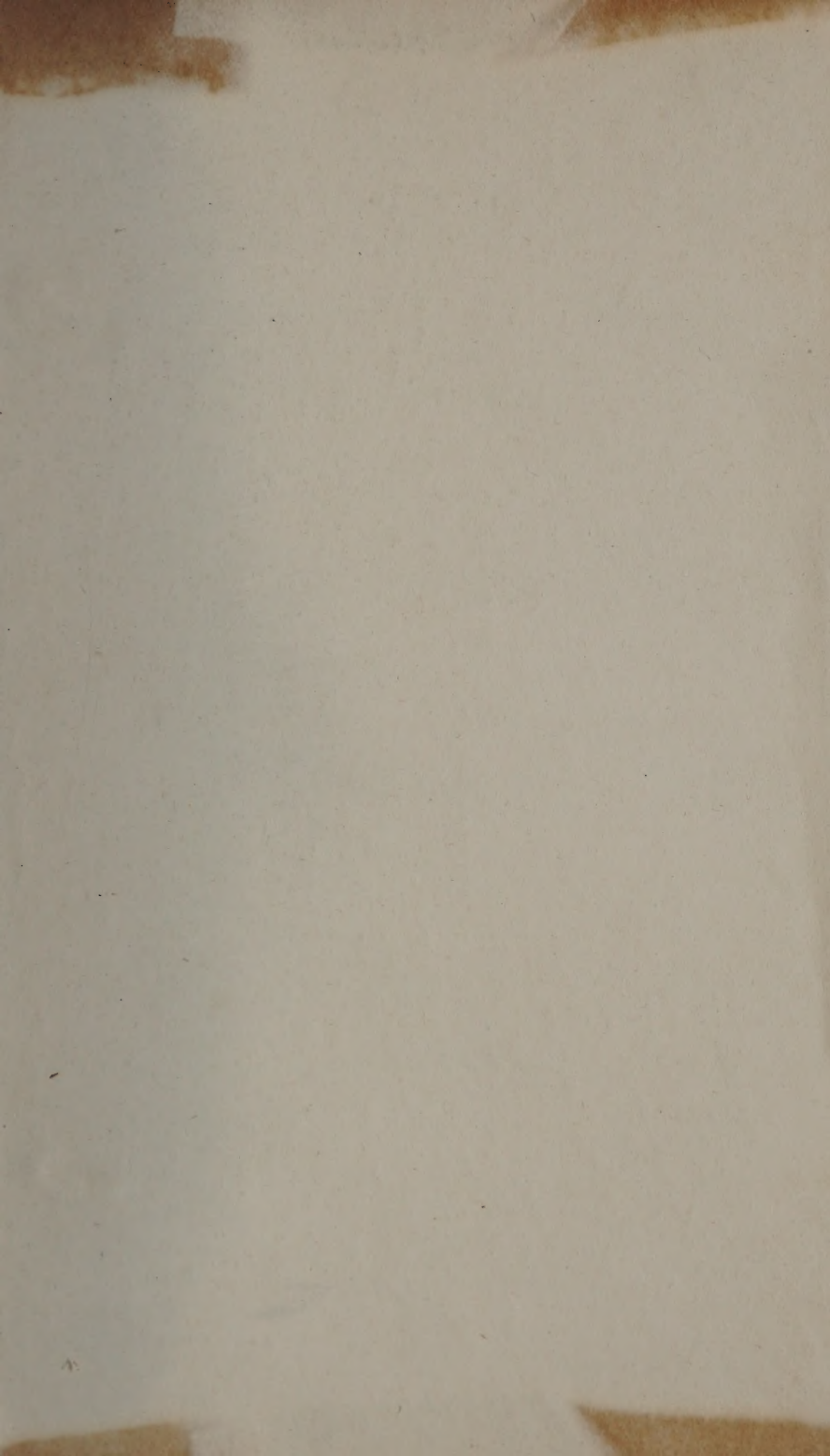
Very respectfully,

ARTHUR E. FRENCH,

Superintendent of Schools.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

| No. of Dist. | TERMS. | Reading. | Spelling. | Writing. | Arithmetic. | Geography. | Grammar. | Algebra. | Physiology. | Philosophy. | Composition. | History. | Book-keeping. |
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| 1 | First..... | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 1 | | | | | | |
| | Second..... | 13 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 5 | 3 | 2 | | | 5 | | |
| 2 | First..... | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 3 | First..... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| | Second | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | | | | | | 1 | |
| 4 | First..... | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 5 | First..... | 21 | 21 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 3 | | | | | | |
| | Third..... | 19 | 19 | 9 | 16 | 12 | 6 | | | | | | 2 |
| 6 | First..... | 8 | 8 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 2 | | | | 3 | | |
| | Second..... | 10 | 10 | 8 | 10 | 5 | 4 | 2 | | | 3 | | |
| 7 | First..... | 11 | 11 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 2 | | | 3 | 1 | |
| | Second..... | 12 | 12 | 7 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 2 | | | | 2 | |
| 8 | First..... | 29 | 29 | 18 | 17 | 14 | 3 | | | 1 | 3 | | |
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| 10 | First..... | 7 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | | |
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